

## House Resolution 344

By: Representatives Walker of the 107<sup>th</sup>, Sheldon of the 105<sup>th</sup>, Lakly of the 72<sup>nd</sup>, Heckstall of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, Byrd of the 20<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Acknowledging the contributions of senior Georgians and establishing the week of February  
2 28 through March 4 as Senior Week at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, senior citizens are our most rapidly expanding resource and the number of  
4 Georgians 60 and older is expected to increase from 1,071,080 in 2000 to 1,569,857 by 2010;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, senior Georgians are an invaluable resource, contributing in large part to  
7 Georgia's vitality; and

8 WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly will benefit by hearing directly from senior  
9 Georgians about the concerns and needs of this growing segment of the population; and

10 WHEREAS, in order to influence state policy and to improve the future of all Georgians,  
11 senior Georgians need to understand our state's legislative process and become meaningfully  
12 involved in it; and

13 WHEREAS, since 1987, the Georgia Council on Aging has organized an annual gathering  
14 of senior Georgians conducting special activities referred to as Senior Week at the Capitol  
15 to raise public awareness about the needs and contributions of seniors.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the week of February 28 through March 4, 2005, shall be observed as Senior Week at the  
18 Capitol, and the members of this body extend their sincere welcome to Georgia's seniors and  
19 look forward to this opportunity to discuss issues of particular importance to them.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Council on  
22 Aging.